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LOST! AND A REASON.

Loyola College wins the City League championship mathematically speaking at least. It was a negative sort of victory, but they deserve to be congratulated on the season's play. The Red and White made a game bid for the cup, and the team representing McGill has done one thing at least, and that is, it has stirred up the student body over Canada's winter sport as it has never been stirred before. McGill men have supported the hockey team in a manner hitherto unknown, with perhaps one notable exception, namely, last night. The Union saw many students within it last evening when those same men should have been out at the Arena. One man we heard remark, "We ought to buy a lot for the team out behind the Mountain and bury them." All we can say is that the lot would have to be considerably enlarged before it would accommodate all the "dead-heads" that sit around the Union or the Hall, or walk around a pool table, shouting downstairs to find out what the score is when they should be using their lungs in the commendable task of cheering the team on. If the "Lit." isn't supported it will go out of existence, and so with every institution around the University. McGill Daily has been harping on the one string of "Support-for-the-team" till the linotype can almost write an editorial on the subject himself. The Students' Council made its inducements to you two weeks ago, and then thought that you would go ahead and use a little initiative, getting out to the rink to help the hockey representatives "put-over" a win.

If you weren't out at the game last night, then don't sit around kicking about the team, instead go out into a vacant lot and kick yourself about,—about two hours we would suggest. It is just as much your fault as the team's that the game was lost last night, and incidentally lost a chance at a play-off for the championship.

R. N. F. C.

The first call for men who signed the National Registration cards recently circulated is made, the sort of men required being set forth in an article in another column of the present issue of the Daily. Mechanics for the Royal Navy Flying Corps are needed. This is an excellent opportunity to join a fascinating branch of Military Service, and especially is a chance given men who have been refused, for minor physical incapacity, entrance to the regular army. Many students have expressed at various times the opinion that they would be only too glad to join the air service in practically any capacity; this the present regulations allow them to do, and McGill will in all probability soon have added after many of the names in her Honour Roll of the war the letters R. N. F. C.

A DEAD LOSS.

If a man invests four years in a college education, and one of those years is a dead loss, the whole is not a very profitable investment. Yet this often happens at Yale. It is entirely possible, though it is getting to be less and less probable each year that a freshman may have such an unsatisfactory arrangement of his schedule that few of his instructors will compare as teachers with the masters under whom he has studied in preparatory or high school and will be able to give him very little in the way of real intellectual inspiration.

The theory of freshman year seems to be that it shall constitute a continuation of preparatory school work and form a preparation for the real college education. In other words Yale tries to compete with the best preparatory schools in the country in freshman year work, and fails so lamentably that a freshman sometimes suffers a shock from which he often takes several years to recover. Instead of having freshman year a mediocre preparation for a liberal education, why not so readjust the system that it may become the first and perhaps the best part of the liberal education itself?—The Yale News.

When the V. C. is.

There are many interesting facts connected with the Victoria Cross, the sixty-first anniversary of the founding of which took place a few days ago. The first crosses were made from the cannon captured during the Crimean War, and later ones from guns taken from the Chinese, or from other pieces of captured artillery. This metal is, of course, so hard as to preclude the possibility of stamping with a steel die, the course followed in the manufacture of other medals, and the Victoria Cross is therefore cast. As was made clear by Mr. Asquith in a statement in the British House of Commons some two years ago, the coveted decoration can be won only by a British subject, but, with this reservation, it is open to all ranks in the Navy and Army, with the single exception of the Indian ranks of the Indian Army, who have an equivalent decoration in their own Order of Merit.

More than 300 students in Illinois have gone on record as in favor of the use of wrist watches. A petition was circulated and no trouble was experienced in securing names. Oh, Regina! how could you?

The four faces of the library clock in the main hall at Cornell tell different times, so that students coming from opposite parts of the campus enter classes at irregular intervals, depending upon what "their being pledged and the clubs will be treated to "the best of everything."

When the women of the University of Minnesota put out the 'Feminist Edition' of the daily paper they are going to defy the high cost of paper and put it out on yellow paper. They will also provide all the advertisements and costs of the paper. An Anti-Gossip Club has been formed here and its chief rule is that no girl shall listen to gossip or transmit it. Motto: "Blessed is she that botteth up her mouth—for she shall be called a corker."

The University of Chicago is rapidly coming to be one of the leading universities of the world, and it advanced a step farther in that direction when a new medical school, with an endowment of almost eight million dollars was recently established. John D. Rockefeller gave two million dollars for endowment. This school is to take the place of the Rush Medical College, which will go out of existence.

A series of lectures on practical rope-splicing is the latest at the University of Purdue. The instruction is under the auspices of the agricultural society. Each person in attendance is given two pieces of rope, and the work has been found intensely interesting, and of value.

The Glee Club and the "Tanco Band" at the University of Washington are planning to take a two-week trip to Alaska, as soon as school is out in June. The necessary amounts to make the trip a financial success are being pledged and the clubs will be treated to "the best of everything."

THE GLEANER.

The University of Utah basketball team, national champions of last year, will enter the tournament at Chicago again this year.

Voluntary contributions to the amount of \$275 have been raised by the students at Ames to pay for a post-game celebration this fall. One candy store was looted by the crowd who lost their heads after the victory over Iowa State.

A cup will be given to Varsity debaters, hereafter, at the University of Colorado and will serve as the Varsity letter does in athletics. The cups will be given every year, but a person cannot receive more than one; the name and debate in which the debater takes part in other years will be engraved on the same cup.

Michigan has scored 4,039 points to their opponents 475 in the 103 games they have played under the coaching of Fielding H. Yost. In the fifteen seasons Michigan has lost sixteen games and tied eight.

Statistics gathered by the doctors who examine every student seeking admission to the University of Wisconsin show that of the 6,000 students enrolled, 3,000 of them have eye trouble. Of this number two per cent. more men were affected than the women, and half of the defects were cured by properly fitted glasses.

The Siren, the humor magazine of Illinois, is sponsoring a movement to have all the heads of the humorous publications of the various universities meet in a convention to be held some time in the spring. Some city, as far as possible mutually accessible, is to be chosen as the meeting place. Columbus and Cleveland have been mentioned, as well as Chicago and Pittsburg.

Six students enrolled in the University of Oklahoma were elected to the state legislature at the last election. Five of the students were enrolled in the law course.

At the Junior Prom, this year at the University of Kansas all ladies carrying flowers were requested to check them at the door. With the idea of making the affair more democratic and of keeping the expense down for the "mere men," it had been requested that no flowers be brought. Hence, those who did bring them were required to check them.

"RACE" CRY IS MIGHTY FACTOR WITH ROUMANIA.

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Justify this forcibly he said that at the last general election that preceded the war, in 1910, the government itself admitted that 194 battalions of infantry and 14 squadrons of cavalry were employed to "preserve order."—See article contributed by Seton-Watson last October in the "New Europe." The Roumanian press, also, has been systematically persecuted in Hungary; Roumanian intellectuals have been sentenced to imprisonment or to enormous fines; public meetings have been prohibited wholesale; Roumanian Societies dissolved; Roumanian school books and song books proscribed; the Roumanian colours forbidden; Roumanian funds confiscated or arbitrarily diverted to other uses; Roumanian boys expelled repeatedly and in growing numbers from schools and seminaries, simply because they refused to submit to the ban upon their language. . . . The grievances, then, of the Roumanians against the Magyar Government are to be divided under the head of language, education, and a forcible exclusion from representation in parliament.

In order to show that the press of Hungary, Austria and Germany was quick to notice the new danger arising from the Triple Alliance for this strong irredentist movement in Roumania, and its connection with the Yugoslav movement, Dr. Colby produced a number of quotations from important newspapers—quotations which were all taken from articles that appeared in the interval separating the Second Balkan War from the assassination of Francis Ferdinand. Roumania was rapidly drifting away from the Central Powers, and the latter's plans.

In conclusion the lecturer touched upon the entry of Roumania into the war and the lamentable results of this winter's campaign after the great expectations which the Allies had placed upon this event. He said that this was undoubtedly due to a lack of co-operation between the political and military leaders of Roumania and their allies. Immediate national aspirations led to an invasion of Transylvania when Bulgaria should have been attacked and a way opened to Salonica. To give an idea of the spirit in which Roumania entered the war, Dr. Colby quoted a passage from a speech delivered in December, 1915, (when Serbia was being crushed), by Take Jonsco in the Chamber of Deputies. In this long speech the great statesman sincerely deplors the inaction of his country at the time of the German invasion of Serbia; he presents intervention on the side of the Entente Allies as a duty and an opportunity, and urges his countrymen to prepare for the coming fight.

MR. JACOBS ENGAGED.

The engagement is announced of Mr. S. W. Jacobs, Law '93, K.C., of this city, and Miss Stein, a member of an influential family in Philadelphia. The wedding will take place in April. On Saturday at the Reform Club, Mr. Jacobs, who is a designated Liberal candidate in the Federal division of Jacques Cartier, received the congratulations of his political friends.

The University of Michigan has paid out nearly eight thousand dollars this year in student loans to the members of the senior class, according to a recent statement from the treasurer's office.

The University of Washington has established a chair of Russian language and literature recently. This was done to train her men for the growing commerce between Russia and the western states.

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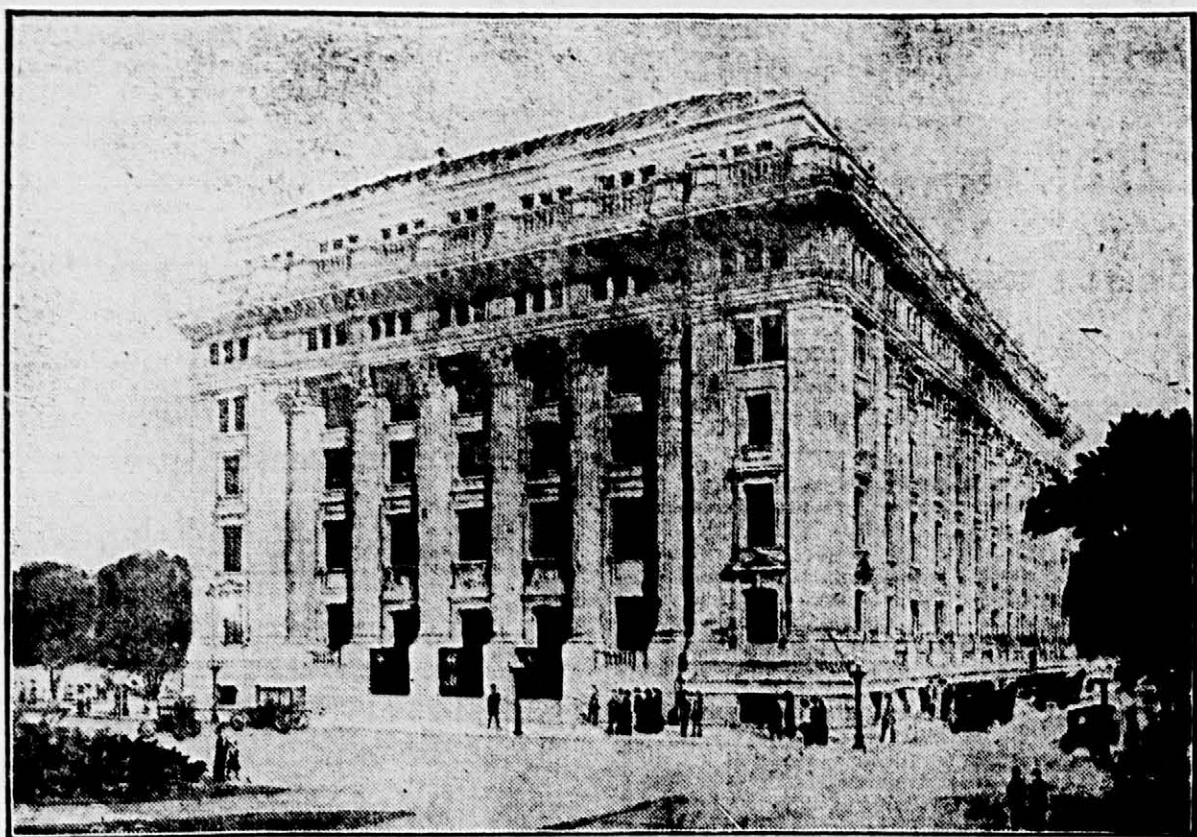
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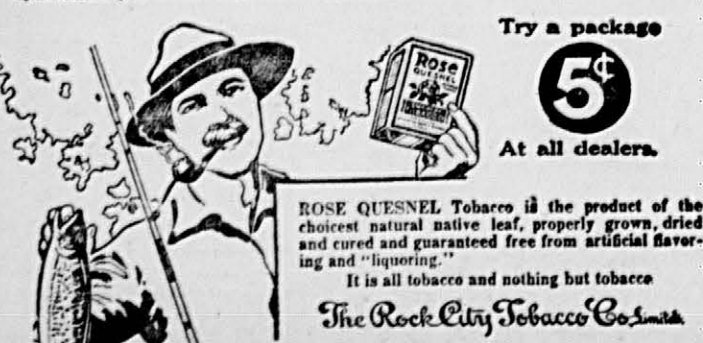
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Interesting Figures on Books From Belligerent Countries.

The effect which the war has had on the production of books in the belligerent countries and on the neutral countries of Europe is seen in the statistics for the year 1914 and 1915 published by Le Droit d'Auteur. Considering the position in which France was placed by the invasion of her territory, it is remarkable that the decrease in her production of books between the years 1913 and 1915 only amounted to 1861; the figures being 10,758 in 1913, and 8,897 in 1915. Poetical works dropped from 827 to 362.

Great Britain showed little change. In 1913, 9,541 new books and 2,838 new editions appeared; in 1915 the figures, respectively, were 8,490 and 2,166. The decrease appears to have consisted entirely of novels and editions de luxe.

Italy had reached a maximum in her book trade of 11,523 volumes. In 1915, it was 11,431, and the figures for 1916, which, of course, are the ones to judge by, are not yet available. The Russian output is not given by the Droit d'Auteur, and Belgium is simply quoted as having dropped from 24 to 4 new publications. Switzerland with Denmark, alone of all the countries, shows an increase in publication. In the case of Switzerland the rise was from 1,470 volumes in 1914 to 1,718 in 1915; an advantage due to the amount of literature dealing with the war which is issued through her printing presses by the belligerents. Holland shows neither increase nor decrease, and Luxembourg, whose publications were always limited in number, seems to have been reduced to almost none at all. But 589, a very respectable figure.

R. V. C. UNDERGRAD. MEETING TO-DAY.

There will be a very important Undergraduate meeting in the Common Room of the R. V. C. at 1 o'clock to-day.

A discussion will take place concerning the recent decision of the Students' Council as to the admission of women undergraduates of McGill to the Students' Society. Arising out of this there will also be the question of the future relation of women students to the McGill Daily.

R. V. C. ALUMNAE SOC. LECTURE THIS EVENING.

This evening at 8.15, Mr. A. Rives Hall, B.C.L., will lecture before the Alumnae Society in the Assembly Hall of the Royal Victoria College. The subject will be "A Civilian in the Somme," an account of Mr. Hall's own experiences last summer, when he visited the western battle-front to collect the votes of soldiers from British Columbia.

Mr. Hall is a graduate of the McGill Department of Law, and a well-known lawyer of this city. The lantern slides are from photographs which he himself has taken.

MINNESOTA PROFESSOR'S DEFINITION OF "LOVE."

What is love? Mr. Tjeje, of the Rhetoric Department, knows all about it. He figured it all out when he was in college, and even went so far as to put his conclusions in verse. The Cornell Chimes thought it was pretty good, and so evidently, did the Minnesota Journal, for in the recent contest for the best definition of that elusive sentiment, Mr. Tjeje's contribution won a prize. The following verses show Mr. Tjeje's conclusions on the subject:

"Oh, what is love?" the fair maid sighed,
And first the cynic spoke:
"Love's naught but painted show and gaud,
Whereby men's hearts are broke."
"Love?" spake the graybeard scientist,
His accents slow and mild:
"Two differing cells attract—that's all;
The rest is fancy, child."
"Love?" cried the suitor, young but poor,
"Love's that I feel for thee;
The flight of souls to mountain peaks
In singing ecstasy!"
"Love?" echoed last the millionaire;
"It's—just what I have here."
The dollars jingled to his words:
The maiden smiled: "Yes, dear."
—The Minnesota Daily.

the most unexpected situation shown by these statistics is that of the printing trade in the United States, which has markedly decreased. Even the number of newspapers issued has lessened, though it still reaches 24,589, a very respectable figure.

GETTING READY FOR CROWNING OF COOK.
The committee of the class of Medicine '20, in charge of the King Cook celebration, is hard at work preparing for that traditional event of the Medical students. As previously announced, Tobin is this year to be crowned King of the Hawaiian Islands. He will be crowned by the usual bishop and the other dignitaries who have had a place in previous coronations. It will also take part in the function. The speeches of the herald, the bishop, and of the queen of the harem are all being prepared, while arrangements are being made to secure suitable clothing for the hula hula girls.
A feature of the coronation will be the singing of a Hawaiian dirge commemorating the coronation, the words being written and set to music by members of the class.

McGILL MAN MOVIE STAR.
Wilfrid Lucas, a well-known movie actor and stage lead, received his education at the Montreal High School and McGill University. After his college course, Mr. Lucas gave his attention to athletics, at which he was quite proficient, and then went on the stage. For nine years he played in grand and light opera, and then for two years in "Quo Vadis." He is one of the first of the legitimate stage artists to appear in moving pictures, and was connected at various times with the Biograph, Universal and Fine Arts Companies. His most notable work was done in "Asquith," where his acting was of a very high quality. Mr. Lucas is at present with the Triangle Company.

RETAINS HIS COMMISSION.
A London despatch says that the relinquishment of his commission by Lieut.-Colonel John McCombe, Med. '99, of the Canadian Army Medical Corps, which was gazetted on February 2, has been cancelled.

UNION HOUSE COMMITTEE.
The Union House Committee will meet in the Union at five o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Among matters arising for discussion will be the setting of the date of the annual meeting of the Union, and also of the election of the new President, Vice-President and Secretary.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the McGill Y. M. C. A. will be held in Strathcona Hall at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning. Capt. Cyril K. Church, Med. '16, who was in France as a member of No. 3 Canadian General Hospital (McGill), will speak on the Y. M. C. A. work in France, and addresses will also be delivered by E. A. Corbett, M.A., general secretary of the McGill Y. M. C. A., and by Murray G. Brooks, Arts '08, foreign secretary of the Association.

LIEUT. LANDRY WOUNDED.
Lieut. Wilfred A. Landry, Sci. '10, officially reported wounded, was serving with the Canadian Field Artillery in France. His home was in Dorchester, N.B., and he enlisted as a gunner in the artillery, winning his commission in the field.

TWELVE VALUABLE RULES.

- 1.—Have a programme.
- 2.—Study away from interruption.
- 3.—Concentrate.
- 4.—Be prompt.
- 5.—Understand the assignment.
- 6.—Reason about your task.
- 7.—Apply your knowledge.
- 8.—Do individual study.
- 9.—Review frequently.
- 10.—Talk about your work with your instructors.
- 11.—Prepare your lessons every day.
- 12.—Have a will to learn.

—West Point Crier.
WILL COMMAND HOSPITAL.
Lieut.-Colonel H. E. Munroe, Med. '03, formerly officer in command of No. 8 Canadian Stationary Hospital, has been appointed officer in command of the Canadian Military Hospital at Hastings, according to advices from England.

WOMEN GAIN RECOGNITION.
Due to the lack of male registration because of international complications, the University of Moscow is for the first time in its history opening its gates to women students. Until the present time, women have been barred from the higher institutions of learning in Russia, and the precedent, established by the University of Moscow, which is the largest and oldest institution of its kind in Russia, will probably lead to the adoption of this scheme by other universities of the empire.—Michigan Daily.

HOW TO STUDY.

DePaul University offers a course called "How to Study," open only to freshmen, and giving regular college credit. It is said that the scholastic standing of the class has undergone a marked improvement since the installation of the course.

This is one way of solving the problem suggested in the complaint frequently heard: "I flunked because I didn't learn how to study until after I had been here a year."
Some method of scholastic guidance for the freshman seems advisable. To have this officially provided by the institution, in a manner which is certain to have an effect, is undoubtedly better than other attempts which have been made in the same general direction.

The Big Brother plan may do some good along this line, although its primary object is different. Even so, it is scarcely reasonable to expect such a voluntary scheme, so vitally dependent upon so many individual personalities, to produce perfect results.
The system of advisers, under the loose organization which was in vogue here, cannot be expected to accomplish much. Fraternity guidance by upperclassmen for freshmen sounds better than it ordinarily works out in practice, and besides, applies to a limited number of freshmen.
Perhaps DePaul is on the right track toward cutting down the number of freshmen who flunk out through sheer inexperience.—The University Daily Kansan.

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